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Re: opposition to Microsoft settlement

I would like to write to oppose the Microsoft settlement with the Department of Justice. I oppose this settlement because no part of this document requires Microsoft to publish their proprietary file formats. Without a complete knowledge of the format it impossible for competing products to even IMPORT files from Microsoft products properly. I cannot open a Word document in OpenOffice and expect it to work. There are simply too many details that Microsoft does not publish. The original findings of fact in this case note that these proprietary formats are part of the Applications Barrier to Entry. This settlement does not help in addressing this problem.

Sincerely,

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